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May 25, 2001

Mr. John Boozer, Administrator Ashley Crossing Rehabilitation and Nursing Center 2230 Ashley Crossing Drive Charleston, South Carolina 29414

Re: AC# 3-RNC-J7 - Roper Nursing Center

Dear Mr. Boozer:

The accompanying report has been prepared by our office based on your Medicaid Financial and Statistical Report submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services for the cost report period October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997. That report was used to set the rate covering the contract periods beginning October 1, 1998.

We are recommending that the Department of Health and Human Services certify an accounts receivable to recover amounts due as a result of the rate change shown on Exhibit A. You will be notified of repayment terms by that Agency.

If you take exception to this report in any manner, you have the right to appeal in accordance with the <u>Code of Laws of South Carolina</u>, 1976 as amended, Title 44, and Department of Health and Human Services Regulation R.126-150, and you must respond in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this letter. This written response must address the specific items in the report being appealed, and must be directed to the Appeals and Hearings, Department of Health and Human Services, Post Office Box 8206, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206. Any correspondence should include the control number appearing on Exhibit A of this report.

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cc: Ms. Brenda L. Hyleman

Mr. Jeff Saxon Mr. Robert M. Kerr

ROPER NURSING CENTER CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

CONTRACT PERIODS BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1998 AC# 3-RNC-J7

REPORT ON CONTRACT

FOR

PURCHASE OF NURSING CARE SERVICES

WITH

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTS REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PRODCEDURES

September 7, 2000

Department of Health and Human Services State of South Carolina Columbia, South Carolina

We have performed the procedures described below, which were agreed to by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, solely to compute the rate change and related adjusted reimbursement rate to be used by the Department in determining the reimbursement settlement with Roper Nursing Center, for the contract periods beginning October 1, 1998, and for the twelve month cost report period ended September 30, 1997, as set forth in the accompanying schedules. This engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Department of Health and Human Services. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

- 1. We tested selected costs or areas based on our analytical procedures applied to the reimbursable Medicaid program costs as shown on the Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Homes, as filed by Roper Nursing Center, to determine if these costs were allowable as defined by the State Plan for Medicaid reimbursement purposes and supported by accounting and statistical records maintained by the provider. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Adjustment Report, Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days, and Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis sections of this report.
- We recomputed the Computation of Reimbursement Rate using the adjusted costs and calculated the rate change in accordance with the provisions of the contract between the Department of Health and Human Services and Roper Nursing Center dated as of October 1, 1994 as amended. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Computation of Rate Change and Computations of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate sections of this report.

Department of Health and Human Services State of South Carolina September 7, 2000

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the specified elements, accounts, or items. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified party.

Thomas L. Wagner, Jr., CPA State Auditor

Computation of Rate Change For the Contract Periods Beginning October 1, 1998 AC# 3-RNC-J7

	10/01/98- 11/30/98	12/01/98- 09/30/99
Interim reimbursement rate (1)	\$94.18	\$94.93
Adjusted reimbursement rate	92.40	93.15
Decrease in reimbursement rate	\$ <u>1.78</u>	\$ <u>1.78</u>

(1) Interim reimbursement rate from the South Carolina Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) Provider Rate Listing dated December 3, 1999

Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate
For the Contract Period October 1, 1998 Through November 30, 1998
AC# 3-RNC-J7

	Incentives	Allowable Cost	Cost Standard	Computed Rate
Costs Subject to Standards:				
General Services		\$46.08	\$48.65	
Dietary		7.69	9.44	
Laundry/Housekeeping/Maint.		7.55	7.70	
Subtotal	\$ <u>4.47</u>	61.32	65.79	\$61.32
Administration & Med. Rec.	\$ <u> </u>	18.62	10.38	10.38
Subtotal		79.94	\$ <u>76.17</u>	71.70
Costs Not Subject to Standards:				
Utilities		3.01		3.01
Special Services Medical Supplies & Oxygen		4.39		4.39
Taxes and Insurance		.31		.31
Legal Fees				
TOTAL		\$ <u>87.65</u>		79.41
Inflation Factor (3.60%)				2.86
Cost of Capital				8.13
Cost of Capital Limitation				-
Profit Incentive (Max. 3.5% of Al.	lowable Cost)			-
Cost Incentive				4.47
Effect of \$1.75 Cap on Cost/Profi	t Incentives			(2.72)
Minimum Wage Add-On				25
ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				\$ <u>92.40</u>

Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate For the Contract Periods December 1, 1998 Through September 30, 1999 $AC\# \ 3-RNC-J7$

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Cost of Capital Limitation				-
Profit Incentive (Max. 3.5% of Al	lowable Cost)			-
Cost Incentive				4.47
Effect of \$1.75 Cap on Cost/Profi	t Incentives			(2.72)
CNA Add-On				.75
Minimum Wage Add-On				25
ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				\$ <u>93.15</u>

Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
AC# 3-RNC-J7

Expenses	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as Adjusted by DH&HS	Adjustm <u>Debit</u>	nents <u>Credit</u>	Adjusted Totals
General Services	\$2,153,337	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,153,337
Dietary	359,163	-	-	359,163
Laundry	81,568	-	-	81,568
Housekeeping	141,480	-	-	141,480
Maintenance	129,587	-	-	129,587
Administration and Medical Records	869,976	-	-	869,976
Utilities	140,466	-	-	140,466
Special Services	-	-	-	-
Medical Supplies & Oxygen	205,155	-	-	205,155
Taxes and Insurance	14,545	-	-	14,545
Legal Fees	-	-	-	-
Cost of Capital	463,266	1,425 (5) 8,189 (6) 4,918 (7)	14,390 (1) 28,783 (2) 54,756 (4)	379,869
Subtotal	4,558,543	14,532	97,929	4,475,146
Ancillary	378,190	-	-	378,190

Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
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	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as	Adjustme	nts	Adjusted
Expenses	Adjusted by DH&HS	<u>Debit</u>	Credit	Totals
Non Allowable	2,424,614	28,783 (2)	1,425 (5) 8,189 (6)	2,438,865
			4,918 (7)	
Total Operating				
Expenses	\$ <u>7,361,347</u>	\$ <u>43,315</u>	\$ <u>112,461</u>	\$ <u>7,292,201</u>
Total Patient Days	46,735			46,735
Total Beds	<u>132</u>			

Adjustment Report
Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
AC# 3-RNC-J7

ADJUSTMENT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
1	Fixed Assets Other Equity Accumulated Depreciation Cost of Capital	\$139,150	\$ 93,089 31,671 14,390
	To adjust fixed assets and related depreciation State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
2	Nonallowable Cost of Capital	28,783	28,783
	To adjust amortization expense State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
3	Other Equity Interest Income	12,729	12,729
	To adjust cost report to amount per provider's working trial balance State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
4	Interest Income Cost of Capital	54,756	54,756
	To offset income to expense HIM-15-1, Section 226		
5	Cost of Capital Nonallowable	1,425	1,425
	To adjust depreciation expense to comply with capital cost policy State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
6	Cost of Capital Nonallowable	8,189	8,189
	To adjust amortization expense to comply with capital cost policy State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		

Adjustment Report
Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
AC# 3-RNC-J7

ADJUSTMENT <u>NUMBER</u>	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
7	Cost of Capital Nonallowable	4,918	4,918
	To adjust capital return State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$249,950	\$249,950

Due to the nature of compliance reporting, adjustment descriptions and references contained in the preceding Adjustment Report are provided for general guidance only and are not intended to be all-inclusive.

Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
AC# 3-RNC-J7

Original Asset Cost (Per Bed)	\$ 15,618
Inflation Adjustment	2.1814
Deemed Asset Value (Per Bed)	34,069
Number of Beds	132
Deemed Asset Value	4,497,108
Improvements Since 1981	118,244
Accumulated Depreciation at 9/30/97	(670,401)
Deemed Depreciated Value	3,944,951
Market Rate of Return	.067
Total Annual Return	264,312
Return Applicable to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	-
Allocation of Interest to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	
Allowable Annual Return	264,312
Depreciation Expense	152,343
Amortization Expense	32,937
Capital Related Income Offsets	(69,723)
Allocation of Capital Expenses to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	
Allowable Cost of Capital Expense	379,869
Total Patient Days (Minimum 97% Occupancy)	46,735
Cost of Capital Per Diem	\$8.13

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